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## **Recent Summary of Changes for Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools**

- Handwashing Procedures: Antibacterial soap is not recommended
- Maintain a Sanitary Setting: Sanitized surface should air dry for the time listed on product
- Maintain a Sanitary Setting: Bleach should be used before or after school in appropriate dilutions
- When to Exclude a Child from School: Added Severely ill, Abdominal pain, Skin sores
- When to Exclude a Child from School: Changed temperature for fever cutoff
- When to Exclude a Child from School: Added recommendation for written exclusion criteria
- When to Exclude a Child from School: Added Flow chart
- Requesting Information from Parents: Newly added section
- Immediate Reporting of Outbreaks: Added definitions of ILI and GI outbreaks
- School Closures due to Illness: Newly added section
- Changes in exclusion criteria: Impetigo, MRSA, Pink Eye, Rash, Ringworm, Scabies, Strep Throat, COVID-19
- New links: EPA cleaning guidelines and AAP's Quick Reference for infectious diseases in schools
- Added information on planning before an outbreak including NIMS and Communication Plan
- Added and updated COVID-19 specific information including updated links
- Added information on monkeypox virus (MPV) and poliovirus
- Added rows in the Disease-Specific Information and Exclusion Guidelines table for Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) and Adenovirus